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NAME:- Basilio José Valdés

OCCUPATION OR PROFESSION:- Major General, Philippine Army, Chief of Staff

BORN:- Manila Philippines

DATE OF BIRTH:- July 10, 1892

FATHER:- Dr. Benito Valdés MOTHER:- Filomena Pica

UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE ATTENDED:- University of Santo Tomas

DATE GRADUATED, DEGREES OR HONORS RECEIVED:- March, 1916, Doctor of Medicine

MARRIED TO:- Rosario Legarda OF:- Manila, Philippines ON:- July 15, 1923

CHILDREN:- None

GIVE SHORT HISTORY OF BUSINESS OR PROFESSIONAL LIFE:-

After graduation from the University of Santo Tomas was appointed Instructor of Physiology in the College of Medicine, University of the Philippines, a position which he resigned in September, 1916, and left for Europe to join the Allied Forces. In November, 1916, was appointed Assistant Surgeon of the French Red Cross Hospital No. 101 under Captain Cotte, now Professor of Gynecology, University of Lyons.. On July 10, 1917, was appointed Captain of the American Red Cross and was assigned to Military Hospital V. R. 76 as Assistant to Colonel William L. Keller, U. S. Army Medical Corps. This was a French Red Cross Hospital with an American staff. U. S. Army Medical officers used to visit this hospital to learn the methods of treatment of war wounds. In June, 1918, was made Chief Surgeon of Military Hospital of Arc-En-Barrois, Haute Marne. In February, 1919, was appointed Member of the Inter-Allied Commission to Germany and served in various capacities until July, 1919, when he was promoted to Major and Deputy Commissioner, American Red Cross. In August, 1919, was made Chief of the Medical Service of the Red Cross Commission to Albania, and while there was taken seriously ill and sent to New York where he was mustered out of the service and returned to the Philippines.

Stages of Public Career:-

June 6, 1921	- was appointed First Lieutenant and Medical Inspector, Philippine Constabulary;
March 17, 1922	- was promoted to the rank of Captain and Surgeon, Philippine Constabulary;
November 1, 1925	- was promoted to the rank of Major and Surgeon, Philippine Constabulary;
February 4, 1926	- was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and made Chief Surgeon of the Philippine Constabulary;

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- April, 1922 - was appointed member of the Board of Medical Examiners;
- April 6, 1926 - was made President of the Board of Medical Examiners, a position which I occupied until April, 1932;
- January 25, 1933 - was appointed Acting Commissioner of Health and Welfare, a position which I occupied until April, 1934;
- May 1, 1934 - was appointed Brigadier General and Chief of Constabulary;
- January 11, 1936 - upon the organization of the Philippine Army was appointed Brigadier General and First Assistant Chief of Staff, Philippine Army;
- May 4, 1936 - was promoted to the rank of Major General and designated Deputy Chief of Staff, Philippine Army;
- June 23, 1938 - when the Philippine Constabulary was recreated by Commonwealth Act No. 343, was appointed Acting Chief of Constabulary;
- January 1, 1939 - was designated Chief of Staff, Philippine Army.

MEDALS/HONORS:-

- 1) Distinguished Service Star (Philippine Constabulary)
- 2) Luzon Campaign Medal (Philippine Constabulary).
- 3) U. S. Red Cross Foreign Service.
- 4) Cross of Commander of the Dragon of Annam (French).
- 5) Cross of Officer of the Legion of Honor (French).
- 6) Cross of Officer of the Order of the Crown (Belgian).
- 7) Cross of Officer of the Royal Order of Cambodia (French).
- 8) Medaille de la Reconnaissance Francaise (French).
- 9) Medaille d'Honneur (French).
- 10) Medaille de la Grande Guerre (French).
- 11) Medaille de la Victoire (French).

TITLE OF BOOKS OR ARTICLES WRITTEN:-

- 1) El Herido de Guerra - 1920
- 2) The Nursing Profession - 1921
- 3) Tuberculosis Among the Constabulary Soldiers - 1926.
- 4) Basal Metabolism, Its Clinical Importance - 1928.
- 5) Problems of the Board of Medical Examiners - 1928.
- 6) Rejuvenecimiento Por El Metodo del Dr. Voronaff - 1930.
- 7) Is the Medical Profession Becoming Commercialized? - 1931.
- 8) The Importance of Medical Ethics - 1932.
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REMARKS:

In November, 1916, I joined the French Red Cross and I was appointed Assistant Surgeon to Military Hospital 101 in Paris as Assistant to Captain Cotte now Professor Cotte of University of Lyons.

On July 10, 1917, I was appointed Captain, American Red Cross, and assigned to Hopital Militaire, V.R. 76 as Assistant to Colonel William L. Keller, Medical Corps, U. S. Army, who had been assigned as Chief Surgeon of this hospital.

In June, 1918, I was transferred to Hopital Militaire d'Arc-En-Barrois Haute Marne as Chief Surgeon.

In February, 1919, when the wounded in my hospital were completely evacuated into the interior I was appointed Member of the Inter-Allied Commission to Germany.

In July, 1919, I was appointed Chief Medical Officer of the American Red Cross Section of the Inter-Allied Commission to Germany.

In August, 1919, I was appointed Head of the Medical Service of the American Red Cross Commission to Albania position which I had to relinquish because of serious illness.

I was discharged from the American Red Cross Service in New York City, November, 1919.

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